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## Convocation Coming Dr. Meister To Get Award

Arrangements are presently being made for the newest in the series of customary college occasions. Bronx Community College will hold its Honors Convocation, October 21st, in the Auditorium of the Main Building. The ceremonies will run for one hour, beginning at 1:00 PM, leaving the previous hour of the Student Activities break open for lunch. Special sections of the auditorium are being set aside for the faculty and the honor students, though all students are expected to attend.

On stage, in ceremonial robes, will be President Meister, Dean Tauber, Dean Thompson, Dean Silverman, the Department Heads, the Reverend Kaladjian, and President of Day Student Council, Mazza.

Dr. Newmark, the new Public Affairs and Community Relations

Officer, and Chairman of the Faculty Committee on College Occasions, arranging the event, recently announced the program.

The greetings speaker will be the Reverend Kaladjian, Chairman of the Bronx Council on the Arts. He is to be followed by President Meister's address entitled, "Where Are You Taking My World?" Later events will include a brief concert and a statement by Dean of Faculty, Abraham Tauber, honoring those students who have made the Dean's List.

The event is to begin at 1:00 PM, with all students attending expected to be in their seats promptly. Students should also bear in mind the limited number of seats, obtaining their tickets as soon as possible.

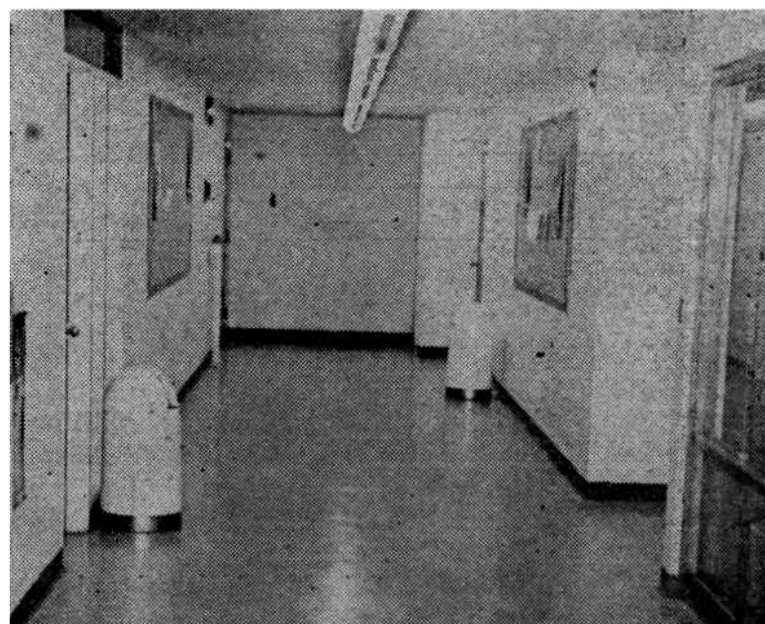
When questioned on the event, Dean Tauber stated that he sincerely hoped the Honors Ceremony would become a tradition of the college.

President Morris Meister has been named as a recipient of a citation from Williston Academy in Easthampton, Massachusetts. Dr. Meister is one of twenty-five outstanding persons selected for their contributions to secondary education in the United States.

The award will be presented at Williston Academy's 125th Anniversary Citation Awards program which is part of the Fourth Annual National Education Conference to be held on Oct. 17-18.

Those to be honored were selected from 104 nominations solicited from 562 organizations and individuals. They are from public and independent schools and colleges, organizations, and government services.

## BCC To Get Radio Station



ABOVE: The 5th floor site of the future radio station.

By Ron Lautmann and Byrne Blumenstein

Beginning in April, 1966, Bronx Community College will join Fordham University and Columbia in the operation of a student FM Radio Station. Present plans call for the operation of the station by the Electrical and Mechanical Technology Department and the BCC Radio Club. Student participation will be coordinated by the officers of the club and Prof. Saul A. Ritterman.

Planning for the station began two years ago through the efforts of Prof. Ritterman and several students from the school's Amateur Radio Society. After a year and a half of planning, money for the project, some \$4,000 from the city and \$1,000 from BCC, was finally approved by the Bureau of the Budget and the Mayor's office in the Summer of 1965. As proposed, the station will include a 10-watt transmitter to operate under the call letters WBCC-FM. It is expected that WBCC will have an operating range of approximately 10 miles, enabling most students to pick-up the college broadcasts on their home FM receivers. Future plans call for an increase in operating power and the

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## Gym Jammed; Social Success



ABOVE: Part of the huge crowd at the Freshman Social.

The Annual Freshman Social was held in the Bronx Gym, on Friday evening, October 1. Although the dance was to begin at eight o'clock, people started to arrive at seven thirty, and by the starting time there was a considerable number of students on the dance floor. In the next half hour the crowd became so large that it was almost impossible to dance.

It was estimated that approximately five hundred persons filtered in and out of the event during the course of the evening, making it the most successful freshman social by far. This was due, in no small part, to Murry Berkowitz, the Social Committee Chairman, who worked diligently to make this event a success.

Music was both live and recorded, giving the audience a constant flow of rhythm. The live section was provided by a combo, "The New Breed." Also, vocalist Little Richard made a surprise appearance and donated his talents to the affair.

## Problems Plague Evening Council

By NEIL TABOT

This term the Evening Session Student Council has been plagued by one major problem: it doesn't have enough qualified members to form an effective organization. The situation is that there is only one qualified member in the Council, Mr. Andy Natt.

Because of an Evening Session Constitution Rule that there must be at least two persons running for an office who have at least thirty credits in addition to a 2.0 index before there can be an election, there is no President.

To fill the void, a Steering Committee was formed to act as the ruling body until general elections can be held. The members of this body were chosen from the Spring 1965 Council. They are Mike Bernstein, Fran Cacella, Edward De Freitas, Carol Gerner, Susan Gonsky, Andy Natt, Barry Nissen, Rosalie Paikin, and Marcia Tumpowsky.

During the October first meeting which Donna LeGall chaired, one of the members pointed out that the Council needed a person to represent them at the BCC-Incorporated meetings, at social functions, and on missions of protocol. Marcia Tumpowsky, acting secretary, was elected acting president and will represent, along with Andy Natt who is treasurer, on BCC Inc., the body which makes the final decisions on all financial matters in the college.

## Magazine Praises BCC Program

Last spring Billboard Magazine, the periodical which focuses on music on campus, published an article, "Small College with King-Size Ambition." The article was about the cultural program at BCC, calling it "quite ambitious."

It pointed out that, "In just two years, a concert program has evolved to match those given in some schools with many times its enrollment . . . the program at the college began in the Fall 1962 semester with a budget of \$35 . . . in the 64-65 year the budget was set at \$6,000, with one major event each month." (This year the program had a budget of \$19,000.) Also included was a comment from Professor Walter Duncan, a member of Faculty Cultural Committee and initiation of the Cultural Program. "The aim of the concerts is to provide the best entertainment together with an educational value for the student . . . We are not out to make money for ourselves. The money for the performers comes only in part from the admission fee, and the rest is raised through student fees and grants."



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## Council Comment

This year, the Student Council has been plagued with an unbelievable lack of responsibility in the people in whom we place our administrative trust. Since the last election, we have noticed an extremely serious case of apathy in the highest level of Student Government.

Two of the five officials elected in May had resigned by July — more than a month before the term had even begun. We imagine it would be too idealistic to expect elected officials to fulfill their promises to serve, but . . .

Even more disturbing is the continuous shuffling of the appointed positions on the Executive Committee. Of the six positions included in this body, not one now has its original appointee. So far, a total of fourteen students have held these six jobs.

We would expect that the President receive support not just in word, but also in action, when he requests the aid of so many self-proclaimed student leaders. This mockery of responsibility shows complete disrespect for the students they represent.

It is gratifying at least to see that Joe Mazza, Bob Espino, and Marianne Pasarell have maintained that responsibility entrusted in them by the student body. It is also noteworthy that Ray Finkel has accepted the difficult position of Treasurer when no other student was willing to take that responsibility.

We only wish that others could follow their example.

## Houseplans

During the past year, the house plans of the college have begun to question the decision banning fraternities from Bronx Community College. Considering the respect and maturity gained by our present groups, we feel it is about time we took a closer look at their status.

We are unable to see the reason for denying our social groups national affiliation. There is even more of a question in our minds as to the logic used for the refusal to permit house plans' ownership of a house. We would like to know the reason for this situation.

## Why Two?

During the past two terms, we have become aware of a lack of distinction between the functions of the Cultural and Social Committees. If an event overlaps the two committees, which one handles it? (Although labelling it "cultural" may decrease attendance.) We really wonder if it is necessary to maintain two independent committees which deal with such closely related and operated activities.

## Forum 7

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Houseplan Plea

To the Editor:

By this time, many entering freshmen have already heard of fraternities and houseplans on campus at Bronx Community College, but the question is: how many studnest really know what fraternalism means, and how fraternities differ from houseplans?

Fraternalism is not a tangible thing; it is rather a feeling, an emotion, an aura. The fraternity is a social organization of students of American colleges, usually having a Greek Letter name, traditions, and a representative chapter in many institutions. A fraternity is not a social organization in the sense that its program is limited to parties and social events. It is a brotherhood of men possessing common characteristics and adhering to common ideals and aspirations. In this association of varied personalities, each seeks to advance his brother's character for a better future life. Its members are found together in an intimate, beneficial fellowship. The fraternity supplements the formal education of the college and without it, many educators contend, the full development of the college graduate could not be achieved. Few men who have been associated in fraternal bonds can honestly say that the fraternity did not serve as a maturing force on their characters.

Fraternities usually perpetuate themselves; houseplans do not. Fraternities are usually permitted to have outside houses, houseplans are not.

To illustrate an example; at the Baruch School of the City University of New York, houseplans generally have not perpetuated themselves through out their self-limited four year life, and those houseplans which did last four years are no longer allowed to have outside houses.

Getting back to Bronx Community College, and the problems which are currently facing fraternities on this campus, something must be done to rectify the situation.

There are presently a number of bills pending before Student Government concerning the very existence of these organizations. The most important of these bills will recommend the following changes:

1) School endorsement of fraternalism, and the fraternity system, to entering freshmen, both spoken and written.

2) The recognition of organizations as fraternities, by the College, if they so desire.

3) Approval by the College, of disciplined and scrutinized, outside fraternity houses.

We feel that it would be in the best interest of the student body

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It has been the established policy of THE COMMUNICATOR to accept all ads which have been submitted for publication. Any opinions expressed in the ads do not necessarily reflect those of either THE COMMUNICATOR or the College.

## The River Alph

by Mike Kennedy

With the exception of a few gifted teachers and administrators and, perhaps, one or two courses, one must admit that the intellectual level of BCC is well below that of City College or Hunter College. Yet, in a recent conversation with a BCC graduate (now at CCNY) discussing the differences between Community and other City Colleges, we found that "good old" BCC has a lot more to offer the incoming student.

The key word or idea seems to be "atmosphere." The student is able to immerse into a group without losing his individuality.

The most important difference is in the classroom. A student gets to know his instructor and the instructor attempts to know each individual student. This brings about, in most cases, the atmosphere of mutual respect, in which there is room for disagreement and argument without the loss of the instructor-student relationship. Instructors, with various degrees of success, also double as student advisors. This enables free exchange of ideas on many subjects aside from the instructor's specific field.

Surprisingly, to most students, the instructors enjoy this interchange, and in many cases, learn as well as teach.

BCC is small and, therefore, we see the same faces more often. Friends are easier to come by and easier to keep. It is also easier to keep in touch with Community's various activities. For all these reasons the incoming freshman is better able to cope with the vast change from the disciplinary formality of high school to the liberally informal education of college.

But, let us still remember that for all the advantages BCC offers, there is still room for improvement of the large differences in the intellectual level of both our students and the programs that are offered.

I call it the "Intellectual Gap."

Let us endeavor to improve the areas in which we are deficient, but, while doing so, let us not lose the atmosphere.

## Community Comment

By Neil Lichtman

Somewhere along the line people have to fight for the rights and privileges they have in order to preserve and deserve them.

The preservation of our democratic ideals and the freedoms we enjoy under them seems to be well worth fighting for. Or is it? It seems that there is a question as to the need to fight to preserve democracy for ourselves and our posterity. Maybe some of us don't agree that our democratic tradition is being threatened by forces like Communism. Perhaps some people are waiting for another invasion of Poland to prove that aggression exists. We may, by exempting anyone (including college students, when needed) be training scientists for the communist world of tomorrow.

Why is there so much opposition among college students to the draft? I seriously doubt that the sole reason is cowardice. Instead I suggest that this lack of guts may be caused by the spoon feeding of some of our youth at home and through grade school. After talking to some of our students about the draft, it was obvious that these students are not as dedicated to keeping the freedom they have, as their forefathers were in fighting to gain these freedoms against overwhelming odds.

In a recent news report on Viet Nam by CBS news, Walter Kronkite asked some soldiers about their morale. The reply from one of them was that the morale was very high. The only thing that brought it down was "The reports of the demonstration at home against the war in Viet Nam."

I think if I were a trained carpenter or electrician, I might be angered by amateurs and people who know nothing of the problem telling me what to do or complaining about things without constructive remedies being given. Why should it be different for military advisors. Fighting policy in Viet Nam should be left to the people who are trained in making such decisions, especially when these complaints of some seem to be just a desperate attempt to "keep out."

If citizens are not willing to give up a limited period of their existence to preserve the nation, why should they be permitted to enjoy these freedoms other suffer and die to preserve.



## Laurels Winter Carnival Site

The Laurels Country Club is again the site for the Intersession Weekend on January 28, 29, 30. The cost for this excursion will be forty-three dollars, a small three dollar rise over last year. For this sum a student will receive room, meals, transportation, a cocktail party, and special rates for skiing. **THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE COSTS INCURRED AT THE BAR!** Other attractions this year include all night dancing at the Bavada Lounge, indoor pool, gymnasium, and various outdoor and indoor sports.

The Intersession Committee, the sponsoring organization, this year is headed by Steve Ornstein and Wendie Levitz. They will take reservations on a first come first served basis. (Accommodations with friends can be arranged if the reservation is submitted early). Anyone who wants to come will be welcome.

Reservations can be made in Room 522 and must be accompanied by a ten dollar deposit. The full amount must be paid by January 4, 1966.

Joe Mazza, President of the Student Council, commenting on last year's trip, said, "A good time was had by all on the previous trips. It was a swinging weekend," a sentiment shared by all who went.

## RADIO

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Pending approval by the the Federal Communications Commission, WBCC-FM will be located on the low frequency end of the FM dial, in the same area as the stations of Fordham and Columbia, possibly between the two.

Programing will be coordinated by the English, Speech and Music Departments. For the first season most of the broadcasts will be recorded. Occasionally, special events will be broadcast such as concerts, graduation, Charter Week and similar occasions.

Operators of WBCC-FM, mostly students, will be required to hold first or second class radiotelephone licenses. The Radio Club has set up classes to help interested students obtain these licenses. Sheldon Steiner and Carlton Pitts, President and Vice President, respectively, of the club, have announced that classes will be given on Thursdays, at 12:30 PM in the Electronics Laboratory, Room 4-34. Audio-engineers, announcers, technicians, writers, and production personnel will be needed.

Studios, as well as transmitting equipment, will be located in the east wing of the Fifth floor. A large glass panel will be placed on the wall so that students will be able to watch broadcasts in progress.

WBCC-FM will be the first station in the City University of New York to broadcast on the commercial broadcast band.

Progress reports on WBCC-FM will be printed in COMMUNICATOR as soon as they are available.

## F.O.S. Program Gets Underway

The Freshman Orientation Society held its first meeting with the freshman class on September 16. In the morning, Clement Thompson, Dean of Students spoke on "Your College and You." He continued in the afternoon with a lecture on student activities which was followed by a question and answer period directed to a panel of students representing F.O.S. Joe Mazza, president of the Student Council, welcomed the freshman class to BCC. After the general meeting, the freshmen were divided into groups and introduced to their "big brother" or "big sister."

Preparations by the Freshman Orientation Society first began last May by training the members in leadership and organization. Training continued until September 16, when the Society and the freshmen finally met. By that time the purposes of the F.O.S. were set with the help of Mr. Gene Fixler, faculty advisor to the society. They include: to help the freshmen feel less lost in their new surroundings; to give them advice on school and personal problems which may arise; to have available to the freshmen the names of faculty members to consult if the big brother or big sister cannot help them; to acquaint them with student life in general such as clubs, faculty-student relationship, and the Freshman Senate; to help them avoid making mistakes; and on the whole to make their first year in college more profitable from every standpoint by coordinating studying time with time for activities.

This year, unlike last, the meetings will continue throughout the term.

## FORUM 7

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The social system of this college, as a leader in Junior Colleges, must be allowed to mature internally, if it is to be accorded recognition from national fraternities, as is being considered by the National Inter-Fraternity Council, at its annual meeting this December.

Sincerely,  
Peter Lesser,  
Master Frater, Chi Kappa Epsilon Fraternity.  
Neil Silver,  
Chairman Inter Fraternity-Sorority Council.  
Joseph S. Mazza,  
Student Council President

Another

To the Editors:

As an interested member of Kappa Rho Tau, it is my opinion that every college reaches a point of maturity where change is in order. I feel that one of these changes should be "on campus" fraternity houses. The college has recognized our work in the school and in the community, and has commended us on several occasions. Why not treat us like men instead of children.

If Bronx Community college would like to be considered a college with collegiate ideals, then I suggest that this reform is in order; but if Bronx Community is just going to be considered an extension program from high school, that is another matter.

Respectively,  
Mike Bernstein

Still Another

To the Editor:

After a recent discussion with some of my friends in ZETA IOTA PI about official recognition of fraternities and fraternity houses on campus I was prompted by the group to write this letter stating our position on this important topic.

Although, we feel with the administration and see the reasons for their hesitation in allowing fraternities and fraternity houses, there are many reasons these fra-

ternities and fraternity houses should exist. A rich constructive heritage can be traced to the many fraternities that exist today on many a campus throughout the nation. We feel these fraternities are an important factor in the life of the college student. Along with this, both the school and community benefit from the many activities the responsible fraternity organizes. These, we feel outweigh any reason the administration has to not change its policy. Soon we hope fraternities and fraternity houses will be allowed on our campus.

Sincerely yours,  
Samuel Hopfeld  
President of ZETA IOTA PI

Gleanings

To the Editor:

This year, as in those gone by, BCC will endeavor to publish a magazine known to our students and the world as Gleanings. In previous issues, I have noticed a drabness in the publication. It has had a one-sided "gleaning" of literary works produced by our students, depending of course on the tastes of the editorial staff.

Last year for example, I noticed that the majority, if not the total number, of poems were abstract modern ones. There was not one sonnet, which is surely one of the most fulfilling forms of verse, in the entire journal. In fact, I did not come across even one poem with rhyme. While I do believe in keeping up with the times I am led to believe that there is such a thing as overdoing it. With a full year to decide what material would be published and what would not, I am sure that there was at least one poem with rhyme in it. I am also certain that there a sonnet or two were submitted that were meritorious of publication.

In last year's Gleanings, there were seventy-two pages, thirty-seven of which, in my opinion, did not rate placement in a magazine of this type. I have been led to believe that this annual is a survey of the literary talent in our school. Last year's magazine, I think, did not fulfill its obligations to the student body. There were two articles concerning the sciences, one about the "Electri-

cal Projects Lab" and another which traced "The Isotope Story From 1895 to the Present." Both of these stories, and I use the word "stories" loosely, had no right to be in last year's edition. If the demand for a seven page history of radioactivity and atom bombs is great enough, the science department should publish its own magazine which, if such is the case, could conceivably become more popular than the "literary" magazine we all know and love.

The article about "The Electrical Projects Lab" which perhaps is not as bad as the aforementioned article in that it only took up two pages in the magazine, could easily have been described in the Communicator, the school's Bulletin, or if necessary and if deemed important enough by the teachers in the Electrical Technology field, in a separate pamphlet published by them.

Personally, when I pick up a literary magazine I am not particularly interested in discovering the theory of copper cables or of how a bistable multivibrator works. I am not totally anti-scientific and old-fashioned but I do think that if this article had any place in this journal, it should have been in a bought and paid for advertisement.

Also in last year's issue were five articles in languages other than English. If, the student body has a majority of bi-linguistic scholars, who can read and understand Latin, Spanish, French, German, and other languages, there surely should be a demand for such a magazine. It could even be published weekly if these students cannot read English and need to be abreast of the school news. They could form a division of Communicator which would perhaps be called, "El Communicator" or "Communicatorus" or "Ein Commustat" (See someone who knows how to say it in German). I, incidentally am not terribly knowledgeable in the area of foreign languages, but even if I were, I could pick up a French or a Spanish or a Latin or a German history book if I wanted to learn about these countries' backgrounds. In fact, if I spoke the

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# Genesis Goes Bookstore: Fact And Fallacy To City Hall

By NIEL TABOT

Mayor Robert F. Wagner recently received a copy of *Genesis 1965*, the Student Yearbook, from BCC President Morris Meister. The yearbook this year was dedicated to the Mayor.

Accompanying the yearbook was the following letter:

Dear Mayor Wagner:

With great pleasure, we send to you a copy of *Genesis 1965*, the yearbook of the Bronx Community College.

You will note that the student editors dedicated the book to you and the good works of your administration, to say "thank you" for all you have done to further higher education in New York City, and particularly in the vital issue of free tuition for the Community Colleges.

In this decision, the entire faculty is in enthusiastic accord with the student body. The "Note of Thanks" on page 5 is a sincere expression of the high regard we have for your leadership and understanding in helping the development of the City University and the educational progress of our city, in behalf of all its citizens and especially its youth.

Yours truly,  
Morris Meister,  
President

The "note of thanks" mentioned by Dr. Meister, was for his entire record on educational matters during his administration. It goes on to say that, "Faced by grave and unique problems, he has secured prompt and practical solutions for the benefit of our citizenry and has shown qualities of dedication and zeal in this difficult post."



Ever since this college has had the bookstore, people have been criticizing it for overcharging, poor service, and shortsightedness.

While talking with Rose Cohen, manager of the Campus Shop, it was learned that the bookstore serves this school in many ways that most students are not aware of such as: the store gives one per cent of its gross income to BCC (last year this sum totaled \$2,816.01), it is the prime advertiser in this newspaper, and it donates prizes which are used in the college's social functions.

To the claim that the bookstore overcharges, Mrs. Cohen replied that, "The bookstore does not make large profits on books since the prices for these items are set by the publisher. Also, from this price 5% is deducted as specified in the contract with the college. The real profits are derived from the sale of knick-nacks such as sweat-

shirts, pens, records, and other items the student would buy in connection with the college."

The reason, the bookstore operators claim, that the books do not account for the large profit is that from the difference between cost and selling price (which some people might consider profit) is deducted shipping, rent, salaries, storage, advertising, the percentage given to the college, and taxes. To the charge of poor service and shortsightedness, Mrs. Cohen is quick to point out that "The heads of the departments tell us how many books will be needed by the students and we order accordingly; any mistakes in this regard lies within the college, not the store."

Finally, Mrs. Cohen admitted that there is always the possibility that an error might be made in pricing the books, but, if a student finds one, he should come to the bookstore and clear the mat-

ter up. "If a student has a gripe, it isn't fair to the bookstore or to the student to have that gripe. They are to come in and air that complaint and we will try to rectify it," Mrs. Cohen replied. The bookstore also has some support among the faculty for the contract. They feel committed to

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**Then those who attend a junior college are no longer shut out of ROTC?** That's right. One of the particular purposes of this program is to give students who start at a junior college—and then move on to a 4-year institution—the chance to become officers through Air Force ROTC.

**How do I apply for this program?** First, contact the Professor of Aerospace Studies at the Air Force ROTC host-college nearest you. (There are 182 Air Force ROTC units in the U.S. and Puerto Rico.) He'll arrange for you to take the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test, and the required physical examination. If you pass these, you'll be interviewed by a board of senior

Air Force officers, who will decide if you are to be chosen to attend a Field Training Course, a six-week course (which you can begin in June or August next year) designed to let the Air Force judge you and you judge the Air Force. Only after both are satisfied will you be enrolled in the program. You have nothing to lose—and everything to gain—by applying.

**As an Air Force ROTC cadet, will I receive pay?** For the Field Training Course, your pay will amount to approximately \$120. During the school year, you'll be paid \$40 a month, and you'll also get free uniforms.

**Is the 4-year Air Force ROTC course still available?** Yes, many colleges and universities are continuing the 4-year program, which you might want to consider if you are thinking of transferring to (and spending 4 years at) such a school. Students in the 4-year program may compete for the new Air Force ROTC Financial Assistance Grants, which pay the cost of tuition, books, fees, supplies, and equipment, plus \$50 a month.

**What is the Air Force ROTC curriculum like?** It's been thoroughly revamped. You won't find pat answers and traditional ritualized solutions to problems. Students are taught to arrive at their own conclusions, and to test them against those of classmates. Symbolic of the change is the new title—Department of Aerospace Studies.

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# Grass Roots

By Jayne Bruntel

The city block on which BCC is located has borne many unkind comments in reference to it as our campus. These occasional indignities no longer need to be suffered, for we now have grass growing on the front lawns.

There are several considerations which point up the benefits which will be derived from this profusion of greenery. One more kink in the transitional process to the four year colleges will be smoothed out. Exposing the BCC students to patches of greenery, however small they may be, eliminates one of the lesser shocks facing our graduates upon their contact with the senior colleges. Hopefully, students will not have to tax themselves in order to relegate the campus to its proper position and will then be able to devote their minds to their studies.

A more abstruse gain will evolve as students become more familiar with beauty, even if it is only comparative beauty. New students will take the modest improvement casually; not having seen the lawns before the metamorphosis, no elaborate reactions will result. But for those returning members of the college community, our new oasis survives in what has been termed a veritable Sahara desert. As we no longer need fear interruptions from dust storms, our powers of concentration can be focused more clearly on the academic values of a BCC education.

The original plans for the renovation of our college did include a covered front lawn. Unfortunately, the ivy plants and bushes which were planted were not hardy enough to withstand the wicked Bronx winters, nor were they able to stand the exposure to the neighborhood. After the tall iron fences which had surrounded our school were removed, and the prison-like setting destroyed, the accessibility of the gardens became obvious. Refuse, running feet, and frost worked in unison to produce the empty lawns as they existed until this spring.

The program that was put into effect this spring was purely experimental. Not knowing whether or not the soil was capable of harboring live organisms, land was turned, fertilized and seeded by faithful workers, who also had to contend with the water shortage. Our grass exists right now as a testimonial to the loving care it received; it can be equated with the BCC tradition of success. If flourished after overcoming conditions detrimental to its nature; it has proved itself, and should be appreciated, and allowed to survive.



ABOVE: The now famous BCC grass.

## BOOKSTORE . . .

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forced in any way into this agreement," he believes that there exists a true saprophytic relation between this college and its bookstore.

On the other side of the coin many students claim that the bookstore's formula for pricing is grossly unfair. This formula, which wasn't given by the store but seems to be correct, is as follows: a new book is sold to the student and brought back at 50% of the original price, afterwards the book is resold at almost the price it was originally sold at, then brought back for 50%, and sold . . . .

Another area where the students

are getting "gypped" is with gym suits. Before the Campus Shop was at BCC, the Health Education office sold the suits now that the bookstore is selling these goods there is more than a substantial increase in price. In many people's mind it is felt that the bookstore is taking advantage of a monopoly to the fullest extent.

Some interested students last year, during the election, promised to form a book exchange. Both present candidates plus other interested students got together after the election and talked about getting the project under way, unfortunately all they did was talk. The exception was one student who tried to carry the whole project on his shoulders, but was unable to do so.

# Forum 7 IFSC Formed

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language, I would assume that I knew about these things. On the other hand if I didn't speak the language and didn't know about these things, I surely wouldn't find out about them in a strange tongue. I do not particularly enjoy sitting with someone translating to me as if I were a first grader who couldn't read. It has occurred to me that there may be an actual need for a magazine put out by the language department. (There is one—Ed.) If the staff of Gleanings got so many articles in foreign languages last year that they discovered some worthy of print, then the time has come for the students to stand up for their rights and demand one. I know of many articles in "American" that were rejected but evidently the influx of material to last year's staff must have had a pretty sizeable content of linguistic articles.

There was also an eight page essay on the "Origin and Enactment of the First Amendment." While I grant the fact that this piece of literature did win a first prize in the Bronx County Bar Association's Essay Contest, surely the history department could have published a pamphlet including this article. When I want to learn about the amendments to our Constitution, I have many, many history texts at home that I can thumb through. Supposing, years later I suddenly developed a need to find out about this topic. Where would I look, in a history pamphlet on the subject or in a school literary magazine?

Gleanings is undoubtedly going to be published again this year. I feel that it should be made to bear the total weight of a school as diversified as ours. This year, why can't we have a solely "literary magazine" in our institution of higher learning? Is there anything in the charter of the school that states "One magazine must be published in order to satisfy the entire student body?" We must have a place for our contemporary aspiring poets and authors to display their compositions. We can certainly have one if those students who have foreign or scientific or historical or foreign scientific history articles submit them to their department heads and recommend that a booklet or magazine be published by them.

Let's have a literary magazine in Gleanings, not an all-purpose conglomeration yearly!!

Name Withheld On Request

## Movies, Dance Planned

The day session student council has obtained several movies to be shown on Thursday afternoons. Among those being shown will be "8½" on October 28, and "Divorce Italian Style" on December 2.

This year the winter dance will be held at the New York Hilton. The date of the affair will be December 18, and the price is four dollars a couple.

The Inter Fraternity-Sorority Council is the newly created result of platform promises from a merger between two houseplans in BCC. The Council, headed by Neil Silver, a past master frater (to those students not familiar with the Greek letter organizations, this means a previous president) of Xi Kappa Epsilon (XKE), hopes to be effective as an intermediary organization between the various house plans of the school.

IFSC seeks to secure official recognition and endorsement of on-campus fraternities. Eventually, the Council plans to organize cultural and social events open to the entire student body, and to act as the spokesman for the houseplans and sororities of the school.

The Council has received tentative approval from Joseph Mazza, president of Student Council. The organizations subscribing to the Council are: Xi Kappa Epsilon (XKE), Delta Alpha Mu (DAM), Sigma Epsilon Theta (SET), Sigma Epsilon Xi (SEX), Pi Epsilon Tau (PET), Kappa Rho Tau (KPT),

and Pi Epsilon Pi (PEP); each has two representatives in the Council, and membership is estimated to involve 200 students.

Peter Lesser, Master Frater of Xi Kappa Epsilon, in referring to the previous attempts to form such a council, has stated, "This council is long overdue and I think it has a lot to offer the school. If its proposals are followed, I believe there will be a general mounting of the social system in the school." The Council meets weekly and invites all these organizations on the campus to send representatives.

## Gleanings Meets

Thursday 12:30 PM

## Announcements

All students graduating in January, June or August, 1966, are required to fill out a Candidate for Degree Card by Oct. 29, 1965. They will not be accepted after this date.

The cards may be picked up in Room 1-35 in the Main Building or in The Evening Session Office in the High School of Science.

The BCC library is offering a guided tour and orientation program to all students at BCC.

Anyone interested in finding out more about the library may attend these tours, every Friday afternoon, beginning at 3:00 PM.

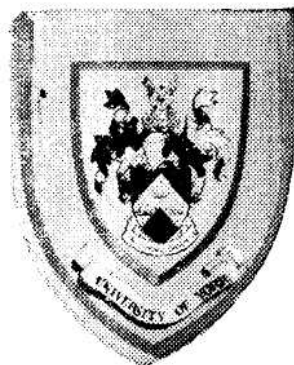
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# Communicator Spotlight On Cultural Events

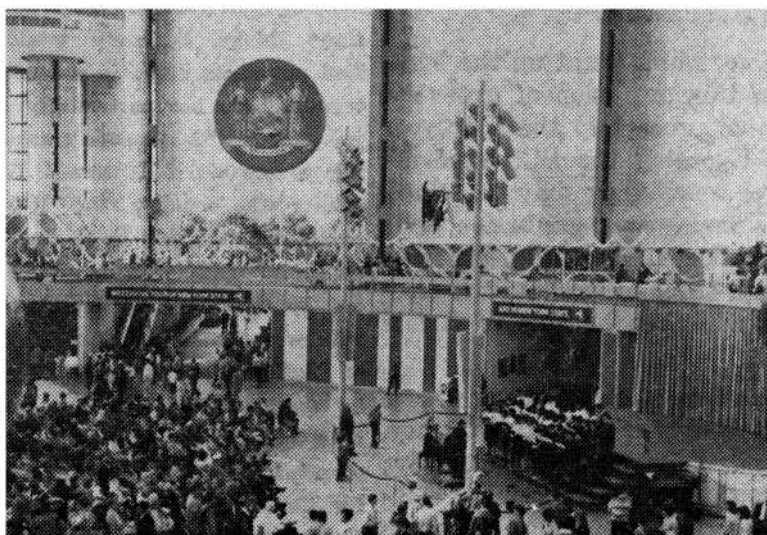
A number of cultural events have been planned by the faculty committee for the coming term. These activities, ranging from plays to concerts, are spotlighted here.

## Henry V. Here On October 30

A production of Shakespeare's Henry the V, will be staged in the BCC auditorium on Saturday evening, Oct. 30th, starting at 8:30 PM.

The production will be under the direction of Joseph Rapp, who also directed the play during the summer with the New York Shakespeare Festival's Delacorte Mobile Theatre.

Tickets are now available at \$1.00 each.



The Bronx Community College Chorus.

## NEW CHORUS WILL GIVE A DEC. CONCERT

The Bronx Community and College Choral Group will give a concert in the auditorium on Dec. 3rd.

This group is a new addition to the college. At its formation, President Morris Meister stated, that the group "will broaden the cultural program that brings the community and the Bronx Community College closer together."

The chorus is under the direction of Dr. Marvin Salzberg.

## Baroque Ensemble Returns To BCC



The Baroque Ensemble.

The New York Baroque Ensemble will return to the BCC auditorium on Oct. 21, with another presentation of chamber music. The ensemble appeared at BCC last year and drew a large audience.

## Orchestra To Present Program



The Bronx Community and College Symphony Orchestra.

The Bronx Community and College Symphony Orchestra will open its second season with a major concert on Friday evening, Nov. 12, at the college auditorium. The orchestra is conducted by Prof. Louis Simon.

The orchestra will give four major concerts this season and with the aid of a grant from the Recording Industry Trust Fund. They will give performances in the community.

The concerts given at the school have no admission charge.

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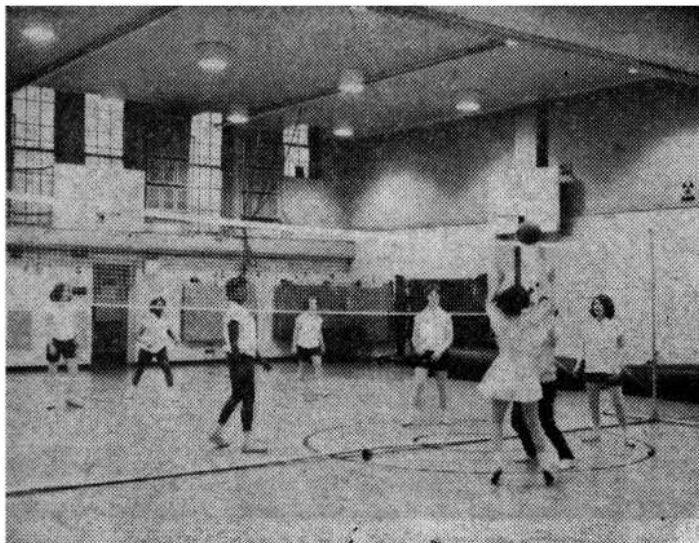
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## Volley Ball Notes

Mrs. Ruth Altman, faculty advisor of the Women's Volleyball Club, has begun accepting applications for this term's squad. Presently over twenty women have requested a tryout; ten or twelve will be selected for the regular club. Tryouts are to be held as soon as all the applications are in.

The opportunity afforded is rather unusual, since this is the first women's activity offered regardless of skill level.

The location for practice at the College at the moment is uncertain though meets are planned with Dutchess County, and Westchester Community Colleges, as well as with Hunter College.

Girls interested in becoming managers or players should see Mrs. Altman as soon as possible.

## Bowling Tourney Set

The Gym Department has announced that a Bowling Intramural will be held as its first "special event of the month." This activity will be held at the Oxford Bowling Lanes on October 21 and 28 from 12-2 PM.

The tournament will include the following events: Women's Single, Men's Single, Women's Doubles, Men's Doubles and Women's Doubles. There must be a minimum of ten entrants in each of these events.

The rules for this Intramural are: Each student must have a current Intramural Card, no member of the Men's or Women's team or club may enter, no student may enter more than one event, a 50¢ entry fee must be paid at the time of registration and, lastly, forfeiture and loss of registration fee will result if a student fails to report at the proper time and place.

Semi-finals and finals will take place on October 28, at which time awards will be presented.

Any student wishing to enter the tournament must do so on or before 6 PM October 15. Registration will take place on Thursday, October 14 from 12-12:30 and 1-1:30 in the Gymnasium.

The "special event" for next month will be a badminton tournament. Further details will appear in later editions of The Communicator.

## Synchronized Swim A Women's Sport

Girls at Bronx Community College will be looking forward to a year of newly introduced sports. This area of sports include a girls' synchronized swimming team. Mrs. Linder, whose interest in swimming prompted her to coach the team, is sure it will be successful. The girls will not compete against other schools yet but will give a demonstration of their skills at the Nursing Center Pool on either Tuesday or Thursday evenings, from 5:30-7:30 PM. Girls are advised to check the bulletin board near the gym for the exact day and time.

Twenty-five girls have already signed up, and Mrs. Linder expects more to do so as the term progresses. This will be Mrs. Linder's first year as a coach. She hopes by the end of the year to have the team developed enough for competition.

## Swim

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Brown, Carl Forbes, Mark Benson, Henry Jacobs, Fred Urvant, and Robert Wright.

Mr. Wong's team, which will meet three times a week, for two hours has no eligibility requirements. Applications are being accepted in the Phys. Ed. office.

Reminder—

BCC Convocation


Thursday,  
October 21

At 1:00 PM

in the  
Auditorium

**Rifle Club:  
Study Group**

This term, the Rifle Club opens its ranks to new members and a promising season. Coached by Prof. Irving Handel, the club hopes to gain competitive status. As of now, the club is primarily a study group, dealing with the problems of rifle safety, nomenclature and improved methods of targetry. Its veteran returnees, led by Byrne Blumenstein, Angel Padro, Ross Spiegle, Pete Carnesale and Myrna Becker, are accepting membership applications in the Student Council office.

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